



Weekly Information & Communication



Weekly WIC Newsletter

March 20, 2017

SIS Website Address Change

Beginning today the SIS website address has changed to <https://webapp.hhs.mt.gov/SISweb>.

The new SIS address should have been pushed out to computers that are on the state network. Any clinics or computers not on the state network will need to update their shortcuts, if that hasn't already been done.

If anyone using a desktop shortcut receives a message that "SIS web has moved", then please notify the WIC Help Desk (1-800-433-4298, opt 1).

Local Agency Conference Call

Our next local conference call is Thursday, April 6th at 9:00. The agenda with log in link will be sent out closer to the meeting. Please plan to attend, thank you!

Zero Income Form Drop Down in SPIRIT

Regarding the Zero Income Drop Down in SPIRIT, we were previously using the Affidavit option for the Zero Income Form, (this allowed you to actually enter a 0 for income in SPIRIT). Going forward, please use the new Zero Income Drop Down, if you are using the Zero Income Form. You will not be able to enter a zero in SPIRIT, so please just enter 1. Please reset the local reference date on your computer for the upload to take effect. If you have any questions, contact [Kelly](#). Thank you.

WIC Work Group (WWG) Meeting at Fairmont

Our Quarterly WWG will be April 12th, following our Breastfeeding Learning Collaborative day at Fairmont. We welcome observers to the meeting; however, we do require an RSVP so we can plan for space and food. The agenda is attached [here](#) for reference. Please RSVP to [Kate](#) by April 7th (earlier is better) to confirm if you are attending as an observer. Thank you!

March 2017 Pop Quiz

Question: What is a "pseudo-cert" and in what Session and Module in the Moodle training do we learn about them? Please email your answers to hhswhc@mt.gov.

MAWA Announcements

There will be a MAWA (Montana Association of WIC Agencies) meeting at the Breastfeeding Collaborative in Fairmont Hot Springs on Tuesday April 11th right after the last presentation for the Collaborative. Please review the [MAWA announcements](#) for further details.

Breastfeeding Peer Counselor Training

There will be a Breastfeeding Peer Counselor Training on June 13, 2017. It will be held at the Helena WIC office from 8-5pm. All new Peer Counselors and their supervisors are encouraged to attend. You can contact [Teresa Messerman](#) at Ravalli County WIC 406-375-6687, or [Mary Strand](#) at the Missoula WIC office (406-258-3829). We will post details as we get closer to the actual date.

April Biannual Forms Order

April 15th is the deadline for our Spring Biannual Forms order. Please inventory what you have per lead agency, and order enough to last until October 15th 2017. The forms are located on our website under Local Agency Staff >Order Forms. They are available in a [fillable form](#) and a [word doc](#). Please send all orders to [Kelly](#) at the state office. Thank you.

Gold Lactation Breastfeeding Conference

Gold Lactation is holding its annual [Breastfeeding Conference](#) April 3, 2017 to June 2, 2017. It is held entirely online with live streaming and also can be watched as recordings. Registration is \$265 for the entire conference. CEUs for IBCLC, CLC and WIC are available with proof of attendance. Check with [Lacy](#) or [Chris](#) about WIC CEUs. This conference could be paid from your local program funds for training that were included in your budget amount. The infrastructure grant for breastfeeding training has been expended already.

New Horizons in Clinical Lactation

The United State Lactation Consultant Association will be hosting the largest national Lactation conference in the US in San Antonio in May 2017, [New Horizons in Clinical Lactation](#). The standard non-member price is now \$850 but with the purchase of an \$85 membership, you can still access the conference fee of \$550. The conference as well as USLCA membership is open to anyone working in the area of lactation and breastfeeding.

Memberships range from \$9/month to \$109/year with a variety of benefits from quarterly *Clinical Lactation* journals, 8 free webinars, and IBCLC listing in our find an IBCLC database. Learn more about membership at www.USLCA.org/join.

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December IT Pop Quiz

Question: Where on the Montana State WIC website do I find instructions on recalibrating my signature pad?

Answer: First go to the Local Agency section, then the yellow bar Clinic Admin Resources, Scroll down to Computer Forms. Underneath the computer forms section is Signature Pad Maintenance. Congratulations to Shirley Ernst of Fergus County! She emailed the first correct answer for December's pop quiz.

Engaging Fathers Podcast Series

The Child Welfare Information Gateway is now offering [The Complete Engaging Fathers Podcast Series](#). The *Engaging Fathers* podcast series features valuable insights and perspectives from fatherhood engagement experts with the [South Carolina Center for Fathers and Families](#), a faith-based nonprofit organization; [Daddy University](#), a Philadelphia-based male parenting education company; and the [Kanawha Institute for Social Research & Action](#), a community change organization aimed at strengthening families.

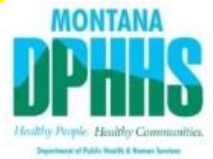
Listen to professionals from child welfare agencies and fatherhood organizations discuss why it's so important to have a father in a child's life and learn about steps that child welfare agencies can take to partner with community fatherhood organizations to improve father engagement.

Weekly Risk Code Highlight

[Risk Code 114](#), Overweight or At Risk of Overweight (Infants and Children) is defined as follows:

Weight Classification	Age	Definition/Cut-off Value
Overweight	2-5 years	≥ 85 th and ≤ 95 th percentile Body Mass Index (BMI)-for-age or weight-for-stature as plotted on the 2000 Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) 2-20 years gender specific growth charts.
At risk of Overweight	< 12 months (infant of obese mother)	Biological mother with a BMI ≥ 30 at the time of conception or at any point in the first trimester of pregnancy.
	≥ 12 months (child of obese mother)	Biological mother with a BMI ≥ 30 at the time of certification. If the mother is pregnant or has had a baby within the past 6 months, use her preconceptual weight to assess for obesity since her current weight will be influenced by pregnancy related weight gain.
	Birth to 5 years (infant or child of obese father)	Biological father with a BMI ≥ 30 at the time of certification.

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